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Dear

A few days ago I reviewed a clean draft of the NIE on The Future of Soviet Sciences. This document should be officially approved by the National Foreign Intelligence Board soon and printed for distribution.

I want to thank you personally for your leadership in preparing this pioneering study for the Intelligence Community. It explores important areas of science which have not been assessed by the Intelligence Community in well over a decade. It will certainly be of high value to many US policymakers and to persons in the R&D field. The method which you, used to gather the information was an innovative one and you might be interested to know that we have used that same approach for two or three of our other Estimates.

Many thanks for your strong support to us and I trust that we may feel free to call on you again for advice and assistance.

Yours,

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